

**REMARKS**

Claims 7-33 have been canceled to allow prosecution of claims 1-6. New claims 34-41 have been added. No new matter has been added.

With respect to the prior application U. S. Pat. Application. No. 09/961,230 filed on September 24, 2001, which was a Divisional Application of U.S. Pat. Application No. 09/186,081 (U.S. Patent No. 6,329,083), Applicant hereby incorporates the claim of priority from Japanese Application Nos. 10-000886 filed on January 6, 1998, 09-303047 filed on November 5, 1997, 09-303048 filed on November 5, 1997 and 09-357022 filed on December 25, 1997, and claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

The prior application (U. S. Pat. App. No. 09/186,081, now U. S. Pat. No. 6,329,083) is assigned of record to NEC Corporation at Reel 9672, and Frame 0034.

Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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